

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2003 – 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was heavy in Southern California Area, and light elsewhere. Nationally, 56 new fires were reported. Three new large fires were reported in Southern California Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Arizona, California and Idaho.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

GRAND PRIX, San Bernardino Unit, California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection (CDF). Transfer of command from Dietrich's Type 2 Incident Management Team to Studebaker's Type 1 Incident Management Team occurred on 10/25. This fire is in heavy chaparral, two miles west of Mira Loma, CA. Torching and spotting occurred within the perimeter, and extreme fire behavior due to high winds was observed on ridge tops. Evacuations of Upland, San Antonio, Mt Baldy Village and Lytle creek are in effect.

SIMI INCIDENT, Ventura County. A Unified Command between a CDF Type 1 Incident Command Team (Haines) and Ventura County Fire Department (Sanchez) is in place. This fire is in chaparral and grass, five miles north of Simi Valley, CA. Rapid rates of spread and long range spotting due to high winds continue to hamper control efforts. Evacuation centers have been opened and structure protection is in place in the Simi Valley area. Road closures for State Routes 188, 126 and 23 are in effect.

OLD, San Bernardino National Forest. This fire is in chaparral on the north side of San Bernardino, CA. Structure protection is in place for numerous residences and commercial properties. Extreme wind-driven fire behavior with spotting was observed. Evacuation of the north end of San Bernardino continues.

VERDALE, Los Angeles County. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Osby/Vandenbossche) is assigned. This fire is in chaparral and oak grass, four miles west of Santa Clarita, CA. High winds are causing rapid rates of spread on all flanks, and long range spotting was observed. Structure protection is in place, and road closures for State Routes 126 and 23 are in effect. Evacuations are progressing in Simi Valley and Moorepark areas.

ROBLAR 2, Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base. A Unified Command between a Type 2 Incident Management Team (Domanski) and the California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection (Clayton) is in place. This fire is in chaparral, six miles west of Fallbrook, CA. Minimal fire behavior was observed. A voluntary evacuation for the community of De Luz, and road closures for De Luz Canyon continues.

PIRU, Los Padres National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Dorn) is assigned. This fire is in grass and brush, 14 miles northwest of Santa Clara, CA. Crews continue direct line construction, and mop up along Piru Canyon Road.

PARADISE 2, Sequoia & Kings Canyon National Park. This wildland fire is in mixed conifer and chaparral, seven miles northeast of Three Rivers, CA. Fire activity continues in well developed thermal belts, and roll-out spotting along ridge tops and in drainages within containment lines continues to occur.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
GRAND PRIX	CA	BDU	27,182	23	10/30	2,427	48	274	15	16	6M
SIMI INCIDENT	CA	VNC	47,150	0	10/29	599	1	228	0	6	250k
OLD	CA	BDF	10,000	N/A	UNK	775	16	236	9	50	NR
VERDALE	CA	LAC	15,000	7	10/31	883	29	84	4	1	1.1M
ROBLAR 2	CA	MCP	4,740	70	UNK	1,313	38	87	0	0	3.2M
PIRU	CA	LPF	1,253	90	10/26	780	24	16	6	0	NR
PARADISE 2	CA	KNP	1,230	95	11/15	79	2	0	1	0	1.4M
ALBANITA/HOOKER - WFU	CA	SQF	3,240	N/A	N/A	43	1	1	1	0	100K
KAWEAH-KERN COMPLEX - WFU	CA	KNP	11,317	N/A	N/A	6	0	0	0	0	771K

SQF = Sequoia National Forest

EASTERN AREA LARGE FIRES:

RED LAKE 612, Red Lake Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. This fire is in pine and hardwoods, four miles northeast of Ponemah, MN. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
RED LAKE 612	MN	RLA	210	70	UNK	15	0	4	1	0	NR

OUTLOOK:

RED FLAG WARNING: For central California coastal mountains and valleys, northern San Joaquin valley and adjacent foothills and for southern California mountains and below canyons and passes for northeast winds and low humidity.

RED FLAG WARNING: Red flag warning much of northern California west of the Sierra/Cascade Crest through this morning for low humidity and moderate easterly winds.

Weather Discussion: Santa Ana winds to increase on Sunday with gusty winds prevailing from Oregon across California and into Arizona. High pressure to continue over the West with a disturbance moving into the Dakotas. A cold front will move slowly across the eastern third of the country.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Sunny.	75 to 85 coastal areas. 75 to 85 mountains. 90 to 100 valleys. 85 to 95 upper desert. 95 to 105 low desert.	5 to 15% desert. 5 to 15% mountains. 8 to 15% valleys. 15 to 30% coast.	Northeast 5 to 15 mph, except 20-35 mph with higher gusts in Red Flag areas.
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Mostly sunny with areas of gusty easterly winds	Mostly mid 70s to mid 90s.	Mostly 8 to 18%.	Easterly 8 to 18 mph with areas of gusts 25 to 35 mph this morning, moderating substantially this afternoon to mostly 5 to 12 mph.
WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Mostly sunny.	60s to 70s north 70s to 80s south 60s Mountains	15 to 20% North 5 to 15% South 15 to 20% Mountains	Upslope/upvalley in the morning becoming east-northeast at 5 to 15 mph.



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TOPIC OF CHOICE

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES					1		1
	ACRES					3		3
Northern California	FIRES	1				27	2	30
	ACRES	0				85	20	105
Southern California	FIRES	1	1		0	15	4	21
	ACRES	0	0		44	3	10,000	10,047
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES					1	1	2
	ACRES					0	100	100
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				1	1		2
	ACRES				25	1		26
TOTAL	FIRES	2	1	0	1	45	7	56
	ACRES	0	0	0	69	92	10,120	10,281

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	15	21	11	401	14	464
	ACRES	23	40,821	283,123	3,827	247,654	2	575,450
Northwest	FIRES	304	250	15	50	1,887	1,288	3,794
	ACRES	24,276	18,153	16	1,170	50,546	331,454	425,615
Northern California	FIRES	166	72	17	19	3,011	1,247	4,532
	ACRES	243	12,633	603	6,562	81,172	38,453	139,666
Southern California	FIRES	69	139	10	76	2,844	842	3,980
	ACRES	1,656	2,933	360	1,737	38,078	20,554	65,318
Northern Rockies	FIRES	1,032	71	34	86	991	1,527	3,741
	ACRES	79,164	69,435	23,280	166,679	169,439	365,943	873,940
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	59	841	7	46	895	1,057	2,905
	ACRES	19,424	131,441	1,244	2,733	56,898	141,910	353,650
Western Great Basin	FIRES	9	454	1	11	122	176	773
	ACRES	2	11,408	79	6	1,982	3,288	16,765
Southwest	FIRES	898	192	5	69	898	2,126	4,188
	ACRES	35,695	5,897	284	11,834	16,207	203,158	273,075
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	185	797	40	48	4,213	752	6,035
	ACRES	20,214	17,319	1,964	783	70,779	58,409	169,468
Eastern Area	FIRES	962		67	37	10,348	511	11,925
	ACRES	53,155		6,890	708	115,888	5,786	182,427
Southern Area	FIRES	155		46	14	12,490	357	13,062
	ACRES	21,871		12,130	808	194,772	9,001	238,582
TOTAL	FIRES	3,841	2,831	263	467	38,100	9,897	55,399
	ACRES	255,723	310,040	329,973	196,847	1,043,415	1,177,958	3,313,956

Ten Year Average Fires	74,372
Ten Year Average Acres	4,331,199

Changes in some agency YTD agency acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES	2					3	5
	ACRES	101					475	576
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						515	515
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES			3				3
	ACRES			766				766
TOTAL	FIRES	2	0	3	0	0	6	11
	ACRES	101	0	766	0	0	990	1,857

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					1,555		1,555
Northwest	FIRES	32	104	34	3		315	488
	ACRES	5,527	27,620	6,432	123		42,199	81,901
Northern California	FIRES	2	7	112	19		137	277
	ACRES	31	267	21,764	2,513		10,983	35,558
Southern California	FIRES		2	5	9		170	186
	ACRES		27	698	3,335		13,675	17,735
Northern Rockies	FIRES	12	10	96	4	42	410	574
	ACRES	502	6,972	15,325	760	2,441	29,430	55,430
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	34	7		14	53	109
	ACRES	18	33,772	409		2,358	20,412	56,969
Western Great Basin	FIRES		7		3		1	11
	ACRES		1,120		2,084		230	3,434
Southwest	FIRES	23	36	19	9	3	345	435
	ACRES	4,148	26,986	39,373	8,183	12	59,157	137,859
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	30	34	101	9	18	221	413
	ACRES	1,777	27,349	13,820	9,592	1,715	20,697	74,950
Eastern Area	FIRES	26		352	16	520	225	1,139
	ACRES	10,640		76,009	1,823	84,944	27,652	201,068
Southern Area	FIRES	54		280	105	16,007	1,266	17,712
	ACRES	19,404		97,519	85,021	827,577	950,089	1,979,610
TOTAL	FIRES	180	234	1,006	177	16,610	3,143	21,350
	ACRES	42,047	124,113	271,349	113,434	920,602	1,174,524	2,646,069

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			1				1
	ACRES			42,800				42,800
Northwest	FIRES				9		3	12
	ACRES				3,544		251	3,795
Northern California	FIRES						5	5
	ACRES						2	2
Southern California	FIRES	2			52		55	109
	ACRES	0			8,958		23,288	32,246
Northern Rockies	FIRES	8			3		74	85
	ACRES	42			602		56,854	57,498
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				7		33	40
	ACRES				448		15,496	15,944
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6					6
	ACRES		2					2
Southwest	FIRES				10		19	29
	ACRES				3,555		159,608	163,163
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		26		2		3	31
	ACRES		1,646		0		1,869	3,515
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				10			10
	ACRES				2,715			2,715
TOTAL	FIRES	10	32	1	93	0	192	328
	ACRES	42	1,648	42,800	19,822	0	257,368	321,680

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RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska										
Northwest	1		20			1			47	
Northern California				1						4
Southern California	53	128	141	563	27	20	1		330	544
Northern Rockies										
Eastern Great Basin	2	3	3	1	6					2
Western Great Basin										
Southwest			1						13	2
Rocky Mountain										
Eastern Area				2						
Southern Area			1							
Total	56	131	166	567	33	21	1	0	390	552

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